

# Getting from here to there: Using quality improvement methods to improve profession well-being

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# Wellness: personal problem solving

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# Agenda

- Introductions
- Problem Solving and Improvement Principles
- Problem solving tools

# Problem solving and CI principles

1. Process-Outcome mindset
2. No problem is a problem: practice personal problem solving
3. Bring order to your environment
4. Develop standards for your life
5. Small daily improvements

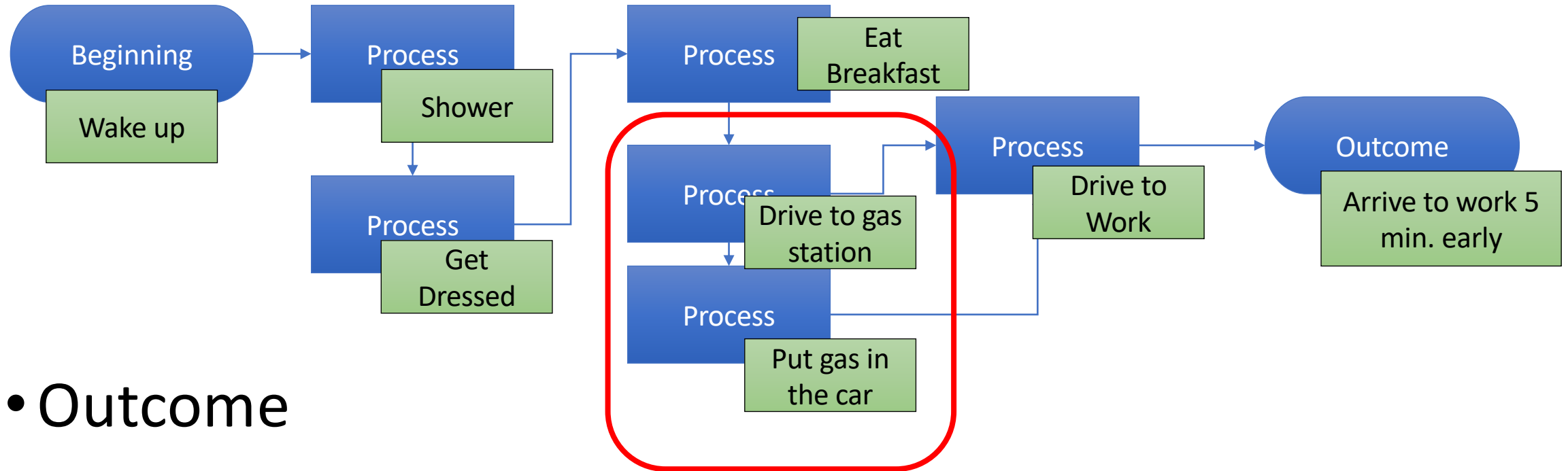
# Consider these frequently used TOOLS

<b>PROCESS MAPPING</b>	<b>VALUE ADDED</b>	<b>NON-VALUE ADDED</b>
<b>PROBLEM SOLVING FRAMEWORK</b>	<b>5S</b>	<b>VISUAL MANAGEMENT</b>
<b>FORCING FUNCTIONS</b>	<b>STANDARD WORK</b>	<b>CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT</b>

# Personal improvement – greater wellness

LESSON	Principles/Tools	At Work Application	At Home Application
Process-outcome Mindset	Process Mapping VA - NVA		
Personal Problem Solving	Problem Solving Methods		
Bring order to your environment	5S Visual Management		
Adopt Standards and Checklists	Standard Work Forcing Functions		
Small Daily Improvements	CI Mentality		

# Adopt a process –outcome mindset



- Outcome
- Process
- Value/ non-Value added steps

# Value added or Non-value added?

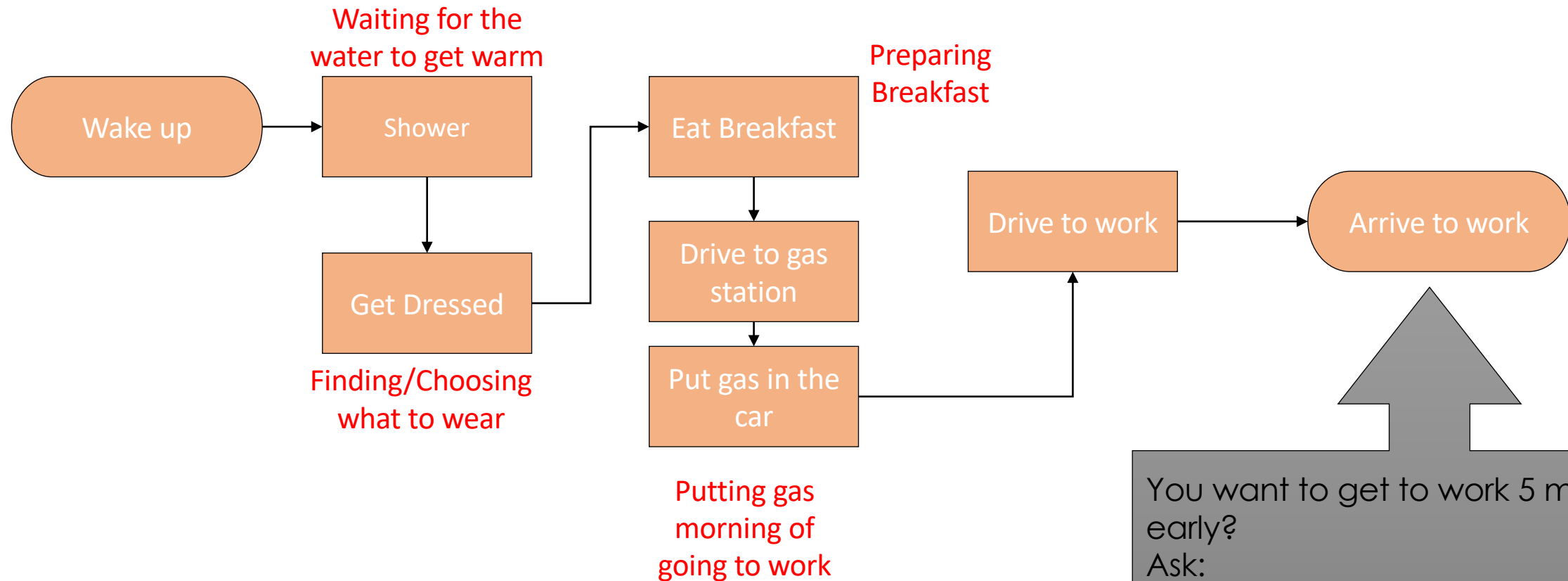
## The *Customer*\* defines value

HEALTHCARE	WORK	PERSONAL LIFE
A task is value added if it builds on a patient's health information or is part of direct care provision	A task is value added if it transforms or adds to the product or service being created	<i><b>You are the customer of your life. What do <b>you</b> value?</b></i>

\* The customer is who pays or uses the product or service



# Non-value added activities



You want to get to work 5 minutes early?  
Ask:  
a) What can be a cause of delays, errors, bottleneck,  
b) What activity doesn't help me reach my goal?

# Tool seven wastes



<https://accelerate.uofuhealth.utah.edu/explore/the-seven-wastes-in-health-care>

# Recognizing the different types of problems



# Not all problems are equally complex

- Simple problems
- Complex problems



# Tools: problem solving methods

JUST DO IT	PDSA	COMPLEX PROBLEM SOLVING																
<p>Use this if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Making a change is inexpensive or low risk</li><li>2. Simple idea that can help improve a process</li></ol> <div><table><tr><td>Idea</td><td>To Do</td></tr><tr><td>Doing</td><td>Done</td></tr></table></div>	Idea	To Do	Doing	Done	<p>Use this if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. A small scale pilot would be best before solution</li><li>2. You have an idea of how to make a process better</li></ol> <div></div>	<p>Use this if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The cause of the problem is unknown</li><li>2. There are multiple possible causes</li></ol> <div><div>Project Summary Title</div><div>Team members:</div><table><tr><th colspan="2">PROJECT DESCRIPTION</th></tr><tr><td colspan="2">What is the problem?</td></tr><tr><th>BASLINE ANALYSIS</th><th>GOALS AND MONITORING</th></tr><tr><td>Why is it a problem?</td><td>How will you know that it worked?</td></tr><tr><th>INVESTIGATION</th><th>IMPROVEMENT DESIGN &amp; IMPLEMENTATION</th></tr><tr><td>What is causing the problem?</td><td>How will you solve the Problem?</td></tr></table></div>	PROJECT DESCRIPTION		What is the problem?		BASLINE ANALYSIS	GOALS AND MONITORING	Why is it a problem?	How will you know that it worked?	INVESTIGATION	IMPROVEMENT DESIGN & IMPLEMENTATION	What is causing the problem?	How will you solve the Problem?
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# Don't put the cart before the horse



When you are unsure of what is causing the problem, complete a baseline analysis and investigation first.

Jumping to solution too soon, may cause you to address the wrong cause, and the problem continues.



# Tool: problem solving framework



**Problem  
Statement**

Do you  
have a  
problem?

**Baseline  
Analysis**

Why is it a  
problem?

**Investigation**

What's  
causing the  
problem?

**Improvement Design  
& Implementation**

How are you going to  
solve the problem?

**Monitoring**

How will  
you know if  
it worked?

# Prioritizing improvements

	LOW EFFORT	HIGH EFFORT
HIGH IMPACT	QUICK WINS	MAJOR PROJECTS
LOW IMPACT	FILL-IN JOBS	NOT WORTH IT

You may need to **prioritize** what cause of a problem to address first. Not every change is easy to make or will have high impact. To help you decide where to start, use a High Impact, Low Effort Matrix.



# Tools to address problems

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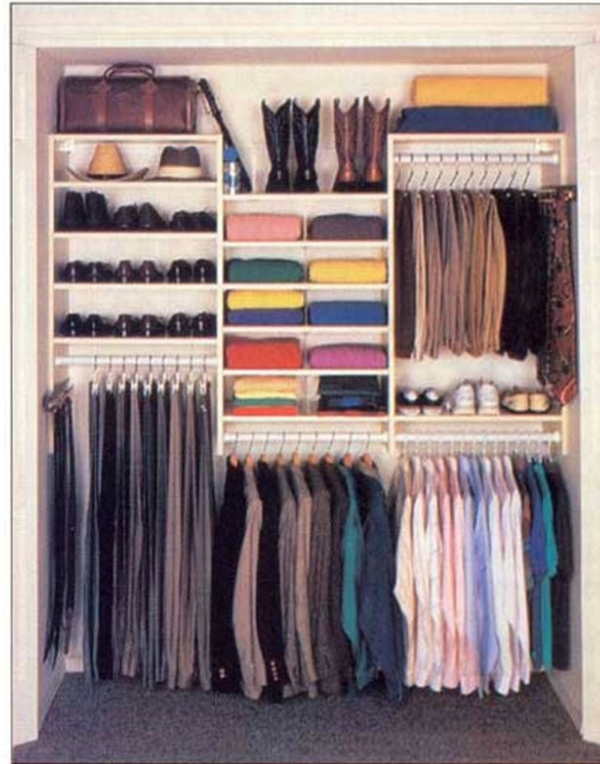


# Bring order to your environment

## BEFORE



## AFTER



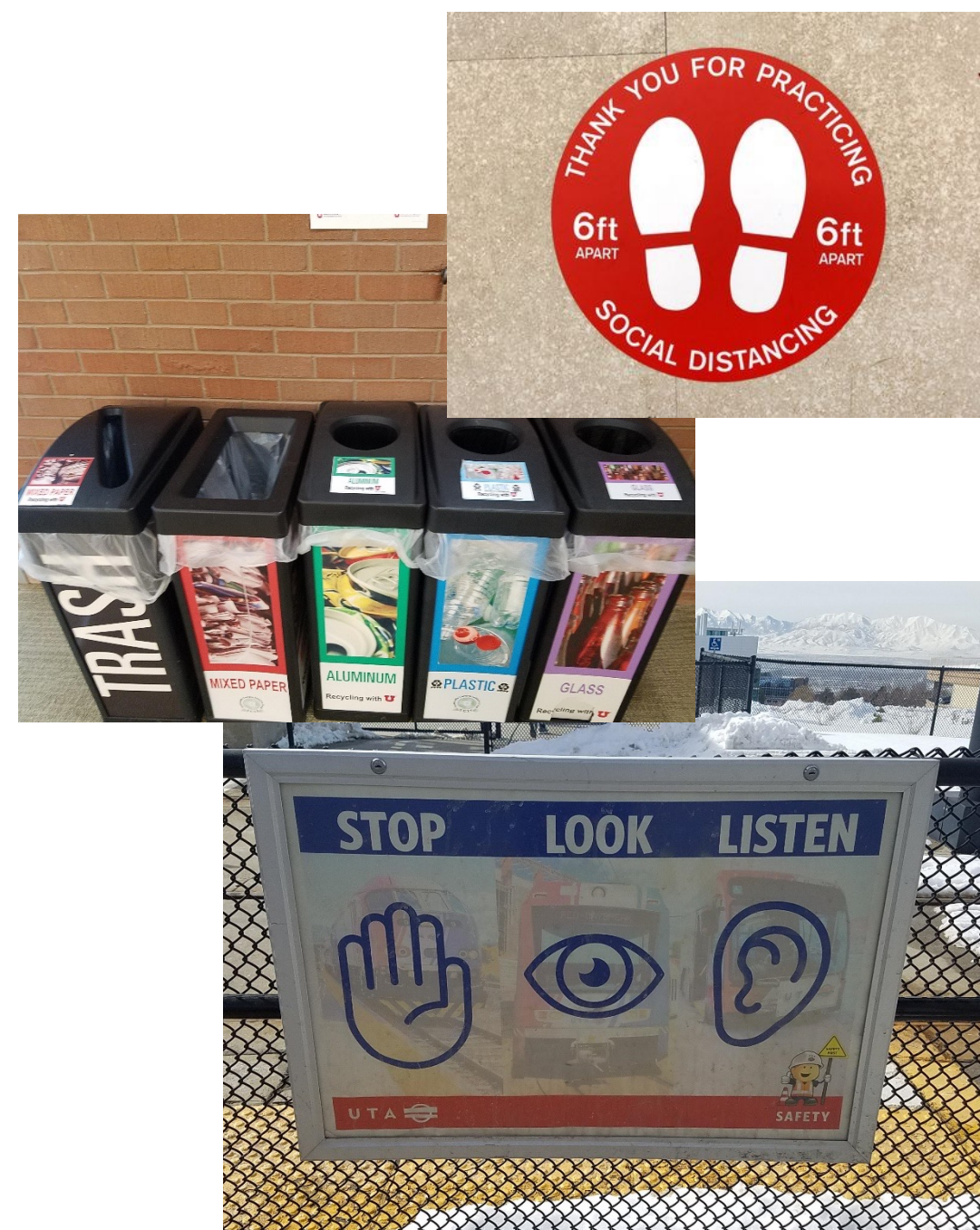


# Tool: visual management

Manage your life, so your life doesn't manage you:

- Make lists, so you don't forget things
- Make time for deep work
- Use visuals at work and at home (but don't overdo it)
- Make it easier to see the problems (not hide them)

<https://goleansixsigma.com/10-ways-lean-six-sigma-helps-organize-your-home/>

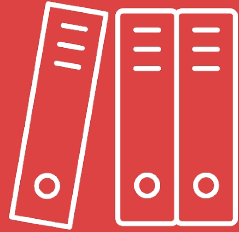


# The 5 S



## SORT

Identify what you regularly use and what you don't. Eliminate what you don't use



## SET IN ORDER

Find a place for what you regularly use so it is visible and easy to access



## SHINE

Clean and sanitize the place



## STANDARDIZE

Create procedures for using what you need and how to put things back



## SUSTAIN

Regularly check to see if the area is being kept clean and procedures are being followed



5S at work and home:

Make it work for you!

BEFORE



AFTER



# Adopt standards and checklists

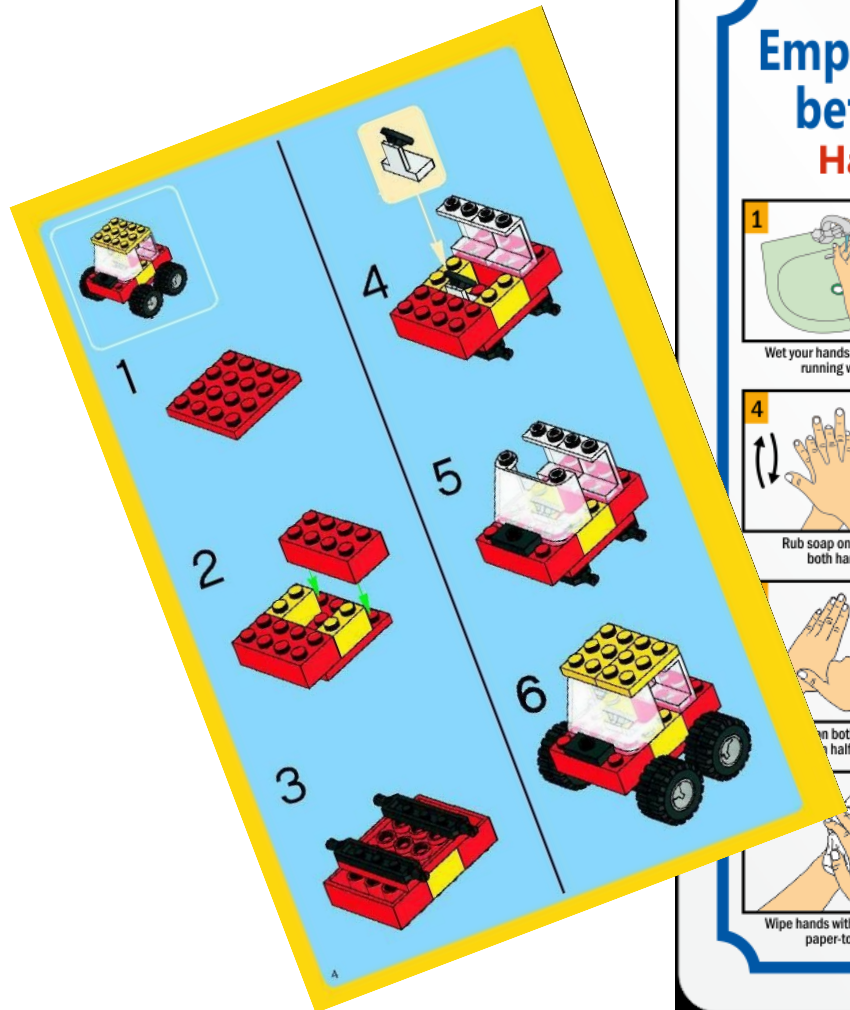
*Where there is no **standard** there can be no improvement*

Taiichi Ohno

Instructions that follow the **best known way\*** on how to complete a step (or a process)

*\* Most effective and efficient way*

# Standard work



<https://accelerate.uofuhealth.utah.edu/connect/standard-work-for-saying-thank-you>

<https://accelerate.uofuhealth.utah.edu/explore/standard-work>

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# Forcing functions (or mistake proofing)



**PREDICTION**

An error is about to occur

Control or Shut out type  
Forcing Function

Prevent the Error from  
Occurring

**DETECTION**

An error has occurred

Warning or Attention  
Forcing Function

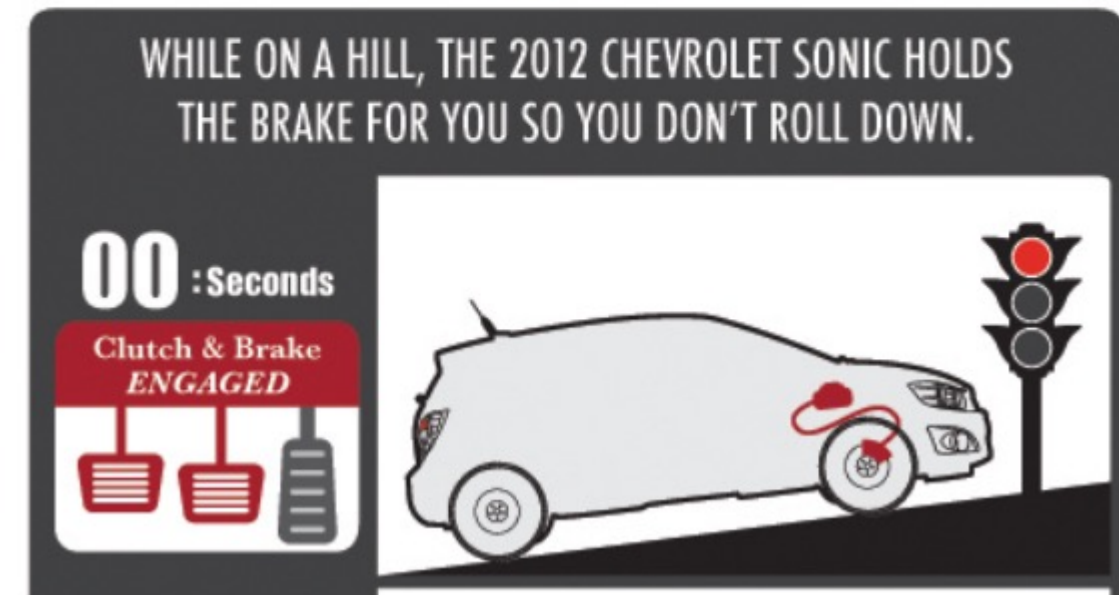
Alert us when the error  
occurred



# FORCING FUNCTIONS



## HILL-HOLD TECHNOLOGY



# Engage in small daily improvements

Every day, little up.

Some days, big up.



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Kai = Change

Zen = Good







# Thank you

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